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## Fugitive on Top 10 list is captured

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**FORT WORTH** - A Texas Top 10 fugitive was arrested early Tuesday after barricading himself in a hotel room and taking his girlfriend hostage, according to the U.S. marshal's office.

John Perales, 33, was arrested at a Best Western on Boat Club Road near Lake Worth about 2 a.m. after officers forced their way into the room where he had his girlfriend in a chokehold, said David Davidson, assistant chief deputy with the U.S. Marshals Service.

Perales was wanted on warrants in connection with parole violation, manufacturing and delivery of a controlled substance and aggravated robbery with a deadly weapon. His girlfriend, Robie Lynn Sims, 29, was also arrested on a parole-violation warrant, Davidson said.

Fort Worth police said Perales is suspected of ditching one stolen vehicle and then taking another from a home in the 10500 block of Holly Grove Drive on Sept. 3.

A relative of the home's owner spotted Perales leaving in the vehicle and chased him to an intersection, where Perales pulled a large hunting knife, robbery Sgt. Kevin Morton said.

Morton said Perales then stole the relative's vehicle after the man ran away.

Morton said detectives obtained a warrant for Perales on Sept. 14 in connection with the robbery after an auto-theft officer recognized a composite sketch of him.

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